The world Bank has committed assistance of Rs. 1326.98 lakhs for repair/ restoration of urban properties in the capital city of Bhubaneswar.

Decline in the Earnings of Doordarshan

†*144. SHRI BALWANT SINGH RAMOOWALIA:
SHRI KAPIL SIBBAL:

Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that income of Doordarshan has been declining continuously during the last few years;

(b) the total income earned by Doordarshan in 1996-97, 1997-98 and 1998-99;

(c) the major sources of this income; and

(d) the income earned from different sources in the above years; source-wise and year-wise?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING AND MINISTER OF STATE OF THE DEPARTMENT OF DISINVESTMENT (SHRI ARUN JAITLEY): (a) Yes, Sir. However, Prasar Bharati has reported that declining trend has been reversed in the current year and they expect Doordarshan to earn commercial revenue of more than Rs. 500 crores during the current Financial Year (1999-2000). (b) The commercial revenue earned by Doordarshan during the last three years is as under:

Year	Amount (Rs. in crore)
1996-97	572.72
1997-98	490.15
1998-99	399.32

(c) Major sources of the commercial revenue of Doordarshan are as under:

1. Hindi Feature Films.

2. Film Based Programmes.

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

3. Mythological Serials

4. Sports Events.

5. Others.

(d) The details are as under:

Source	1996-97 (Rs. in crores)	1997-98 (Rs. in crores)	1998-99 (Rs. in crores)
Hindi Feature Films	120.06	110.87	96.20
Film Based Programmes	94.43	100.96	45.83
Mytholgical Serials	40.66	41.58	59.69
Sports Events	49.60	36.15	33.13
Kendras	186.43	131.94	113.79
Others	81.54	68.65	50.68
Total	572.72	490.15	399.32

Imposition of Labour Laws by Developed Countries

†*145. SHRI JANESHWAR MISRA: Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that America and other developed countries are trying to impose labour laws through World Trade Organisation inspite of the failure of Seattle talks;

(b) if so, what strategy Government have formulated to frustrate such efforts of the developed countries; and

(c) whether Government are trying to make domestic labour laws effective and in the interest of the labourers?

THE MINISTER OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (SHRI MURASOLI MARAN): (a) Attempts were made by many developed countries, to introduce the linkage between trade and core labour standards in the future work programme of the World Trade Organisation (WTO) at the Seattle Ministerial Conference. However, India and other developing countries effectively opposed such an inclusion. No formal proposals have been made post-Seattle in WTO is this regard by any of the developed countries, but pressure in future for inclusion of this issue in the work programme of WTO cannot be ruled out.

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